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Additional Claim:

Dr. Kramer* in his 1980 publication entitled 'Metastatic tumor cells adhere preferentially to the extracellular matrix underlying vascular endothelial cells' leaves open the possibility that an attack on the extracellular matrix by specific targeting of molecules which are anti-; -laminin, and/or -Type IV collagen (just two examples of ligands) bound to $\alpha 6 \beta 4$ integrin cancer cell surface receptor, might provide a clinical means of shrinking cancerous tumors present in the human body.

(Explanatory note: $\alpha 6 \beta 4$ integrin receptor is common to the cell surfaces of both epidermal keratinocytes of the skin and carcinoma (cancer) cells).

***Reference: Kramer RH, Gonzalez R & Nicholson GL (1980) Int. J. Cancer 26, 639-645.**

Note: This patent application was derived from GB 0008079.6 (4/4/2000) and the additional claim described above was actually CLAIM #3 in that British patent application.